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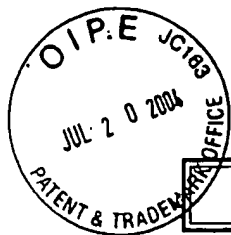
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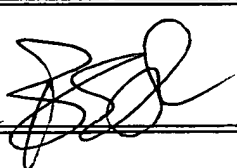
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6	4950258	1990-08-21	Kawai et al.	B1	604	281																																																		

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8	4968317	1990-11-06	Tormala et al.	B1	606	77
9	5015183	1991-05-14	Fenick	B1	433	76
10	5024232	1991-06-18	Smid et al.	B1	128	654
11	5133660	1992-07-28	Fenick	B1	433	76
12	5177170	1993-01-05	Sarpeshkar et al.	B1	528	76
13	5203777	1993-04-20	Lee	B1	604	280
14	5256158	1993-10-26	Tolkoff et al	B1	604	280
15	5320602	1994-06-14	Karpiel	B1	604	54
16	5346981	1994-09-13	Sarpeshkar et al.	B1	528	85
17	5354257	1994-10-11	Roubin et al.	B1	600	7
18	5405402	1995-04-11	Dye et al.	B1	623	22
19	5415546	1995-05-16	Cox, Sr.	B1	433	213
20	5429617	1995-07-04	Hammersmark et al.	B1	604	264
21	5433727	1995-07-18	Sideris	B1	606	213
22	5441517	1995-08-15	Kensey et al.	B1	606	213
23	5478352	1995-12-26	Fowler	B1	606	213
24	5498227	1996-03-12	Mawad	B1	600	3
25	5527354	1996-06-18	Fontaine et al.	B1	623	1
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27	5609627	1997-03-11	Goicoechea et al	B1	623	1
28	5628787	1997-05-13	Mayer	B1	623	1
29	5630840	1997-05-20	Mayer	B1	623	1
30	5670161	1997-09-23	Healy et al.	B1	424	426
31	5674277	1997-10-07	Freitag	B1	623	1
32	5674286	1997-10-07	DAlessio et al.	B1	623	11
33	5697969	1997-12-16	Schmitt et al.	B1	623	1
34	5700285	1997-12-23	Myers et al.	B1	623	1
35	5725517	1998-03-10	DeBusk	B1	604	362
36	5725572	1998-03-10	Lam et al.	B1	623	1
37	5741325	1998-04-21	Chaikof et al.	B1	623	1
38	5843158	1998-12-01	Lenker et al.	B1	623	1
39	6626939	2003-09-30	Burnside	B1	623	1.38
40	4475972	1984-10-09	Wong	B1	156	167
41	4655771	1987-04-07	Wallsten	B1	623	1
42	4681110	1987-07-21	Wiktor	B1	128	343

43	4738740	1988-04-19	Pinchuk et al.	B1	156	167
44	5026377	1991-06-25	Burton et al.	B1	606	108
45	5047050	1991-09-10	Arpesani	B1	623	1
46	5059211	1991-10-22	Stack et al.	B1	606	198
47	5061275	1991-10-29	Wallsten et al.	B1	623	1
48	5085629	1992-02-04	Goldberg et al.	B1	604	8
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52	5163951	1992-11-17	Pinchuk et al.	B1	623	1
53	5201757	1993-04-13	Pinchuk et al.	B1	623	1
54	5229431	1993-07-20	Pinchuk	B1	521	159
55	5306286	1994-04-26	Stack et al.	B1	606	198
56	5366504	1994-11-22	Andersen et al.	B1	623	11
57	5423849	1995-06-13	Engelson et al.	B1	606	191
58	5464450	1995-11-07	Buscemi et al.	B1	623	6
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62	5527337	1996-06-18	Stack et al.	B1	606	198
63	5551954	1996-09-03	Buscemi et al.	B1	623	1
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65	5591172	1997-01-07	Bachmann et al.	B1	606	108
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